

Docket No.: 62807-015

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hironi UKAI, et al.

Serial No.: Continuation of
Appln. Serial No. 09/948,698

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

Filed: March 20, 2002

Examiner: Not yet assigned

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING A COUPON

#2
01-28 04CW
PATENT

1c971 U.S. PTO
10/099966
03/19/02

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the U.S. filing date OR before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

The references were cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent application Serial No. 09/948,698, filed September 10, 2001, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 USC 120. Thus, copies of these references are not attached. 37 CFR 1.98(d).

Respectfully submitted,

MCDERMOTT, WILL & EMERY

Keith E. George
Keith E. George
Registration No. 34,111

600 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20005-3096
(202)756-8000 KEG:blp
Facsimile: (202)756-8087
Date: March 20, 2002

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.